

AID DESERTERS FROM CZAR'S ARMY

Los Angeles, Feb. 22.—Stripped of his last dollar by a Russian-Japanese syndicate which is declared to have cleared \$6,300,000 aiding deserters to escape, Alexander Nemirovsky, 25 years old, is in Los Angeles today looking for a job.

He asserted he was charged \$3,000 for thirty passports which enabled him to flee the czar's army and reach San Francisco, after undergoing many hardships and viewing terrible sights "behind the scenes" in Siberia.

Nemirovsky said the average price for an escape was \$5,000, although some very wealthy men in the army had paid as high as \$10,000. The agency, he avers, connives with high Russian officials.

"I was called to the colors in Odessa," said Nemirovsky. "I served three months in the trenches and was promoted for bravery to a sergeant. I saw awful things at the battle of Przemyśl."

"The rank and file of the men do not know for what they are fighting. I know that hundreds of them have been shot. It's fight or death in Russia. The agency through which I escaped gained freedom for myself and seven other men. It was gold, gold, wherever we went. Graft permeates the Russian government from top to bottom. We used forged passports. Some times we rode, more often we walked. With a Frenchman I walked from Siberia to Japan. The thermometer registered 70 degrees below part of the time."

"The plight of Russia's prisoners of war beggars description. They are hungry, ragged and in dire straits, and trying to get word of their condition to the outside world. They want help."

"All the passports were taken up by the last Japanese agent with whom I dealt, to be sold over and over again. The average price for an escape is \$5,000, and I have known it to run as high as \$10,000. There are probably 20 agencies at work in Russia conniving with high officials."

CONVICTED FOR DIGGING SPUDS ON SUNDAY

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 22.—The state supreme court will decide whether it is unlawful to dig potatoes on Sunday, as a justice of the peace convicted and fined two men for such work.

An inspiration. Lionel was at a ball with his father, and when a Russian man came to catch the object at which he flew through the air and fell spawld into the net the boy was greatly excited. "They are never hurt," explained his father. "It is a regular trick to make such a miss once or twice to give the audience an idea of the difficulty of the feat and thereby intensify the applause when it has been successfully performed."

Lionel thought a moment and then, with a bright smile, said: "Papa, do you think I could make a hit with my teacher by following this circus stunt and missing my lessons once in a while?"—Puck.

AN IMPORTANT LETTER FROM A WOMAN

There is nothing that will bring comfort and renewed hope to the invalid so surely as good news. When the vital forces are at a low ebb and everything seems useless, a ray of joy and assurance will stimulate the weary body to new effort and energy. A letter from a loved one has turned the tide in many a case of sickness. Dr. Pierce, of the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., has good news for every suffering woman. Write him today and tell him your troubles, and he will send you just the right advice to restore you to health and bring back the roses to your cheeks, and without charge. His "Favorite Prescription" has been the rescue of thousands of suffering women. Many grateful patients have taken Dr. Pierce's advice.

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GERMANY LOSING PATIENCE WITH U.S.

Berlin, Feb. 22.—With Germany's patience toward America vanishing, not the slightest desire is manifest here to postpone operation of the Teutonic decree of warfare against armed enemy merchant ships because of United States protests.

The popular feeling is that Americans must suffer the consequences if they embark on armed ships instead of seeking passage upon neutral, unarmed vessels.

The patience Germany displayed toward the United States during the Lusitania negotiations no longer exists, because the popular feeling is that the United States already has hindered so many of Germany's plans.

For the past two days the newspapers have not discussed the American attitude toward the Austro-German decree. It is known here, however, that German-American difficulties have not been solved, and while some quarters believe an adjustment will be reached, others are extremely pessimistic.

The public is impatiently awaiting the proposed undersea attacks against armed enemy merchantmen, while the anti-English feeling, all ways evident, has become intensified as a result of the German-American dispute.

This spirit has been shown in the favorable comments upon German air raids against the English.

Officials who have read Secretary of State Lansing's statement to Ambassador von Bernstorff are surprised, in view of the unofficial reports that the United States is willing to warn citizens to keep off armed ships.

Germany is apparently united in its approval of submarine attacks against armed enemy ships, for all parties are urging that there be no compromise in the matter.

TURKS ADMIT THE FAIL OF ERZERUM

Berlin, Feb. 22.—The Constantinople official statement today admits that Erzerum has fallen, but declares that Russian reports of 80,000 men and 1,000 guns captured are untrue.

WASHINGTON'S MOTHER.

Mary Ball was the granddaughter of a soldier who sought his fortune in Virginia in the latter part of the seventeenth century. Colonel William Ball may have been a good soldier, but was an indifferent farmer. He left two sons, William and Joseph, and the latter was the father of Mary. When her son's fame attracted attention to her and inquiries began to be made about her youth most of those who could testify about it had passed away and those who remained could tell little. But upon one point there was unanimous agreement, and that was that in her girlhood she was celebrated for her beauty.

WASHINGTON'S FEAT.

A good story is told of the late William M. Everts, attorney general, secretary of state and United States senator for New York. While secretary of state he took the English minister out for a drive on the banks of the Potomac. They stopped to look at Long bridge. The minister said banteringly: "It is said, Mr. Secretary, that General Washington threw a dollar across this river. Rather a long throw, don't you think so?"

"Well," said Mr. Everts, "not for him. He threw a sovereign across the ocean once, you know."

His Threat.

Creditor (to tailor): "I'll have no more dunning. If you don't stop it I'll order another suit.—Pledge Blatter.

Take Flight. "Riches have wings, they say." "Yes, and whenever I go after them they migrate."—Boston Transcript.

A Tailor's Query. Is a clothing store a coterie, a pantry or a vestry?—London Telegraph.

Has the Habit. "Is she a bride?" "An inveterate one."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

No Danger of Collision. You will have to get ahead of the hustler before you can get in his way.—Judge.

Black Diamonds. Black diamonds, found in Borneo, are the hardest substance that is known to man.

Seasonal Activity. Mrs. Kulcker: "What is your trade?" Henry Willie: "I shovel rain, mum."—New York Sun.

The Test. It is the things a man could do but does not which stamp him as incompetent.—Judge.

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PORTLAND MARKETS

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

Portland, Feb. 22.—Today's market quotations were:

Grains—Not quoted.

Hogs—Best live, 8.

Prime steers, 7.50; fancy cows, 6.50; best calves, 7@8.

Spring lambs, 8@9.

Butter—City creamery, 34; country 25@29.

Eggs—Selected local extras, 24@25.

Hens, 14@15; broilers, 14@15; geese, 10@11.

Copper—Not quoted.

FORTY THOUSAND TURKS LOST AT ERZERUM

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

Petrograd, Feb. 22.—Forty thousand Turks were killed, wounded or taken prisoners in the capture of Erzerum, and subsequent operations, said dispatches today. Other Turks are being taken prisoners daily.

ALLIED WARSHIPS HURL BOMBS INTO EPHEBUS

Athens, Feb. 22.—Three allied warships have bombarded the suburbs of Ephesus, biblical city in Asia Minor. Constantinople advices said four persons were killed and several wounded, but that the Temple of Diana and other famous places were not damaged.

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Train will stop on flag at any point between Grants Pass and Waters Creek. Passenger service every day in the week.

The Twenty-second of February

By WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT

PALE is the February sky.

And brief the midday's sunny hours;

The wind swept forest seems to sigh

For the sweet time of leaves and flowers.

Yet has no month a prouder day,

Not even when the summer broods

Over meadows in their fresh array

Or autumn tints the glowing woods.

For this chill season now again

Brings, in its annual round, the morn

When, greatest of the sons of men,

Our glorious Washington was born.

Lo, where, beneath an icy shield,

Calmly the mighty Hudson flows!

By snow clad fell and frozen field

Broadening the lordly river goes.

The wildest storm that sweeps through

space

And rends the oak with sudden force

Can raise no ripple on his face

Or slacken his majestic course.

Thus mid the wreck of thrones shall live

Unmarred, undimmed, our hero's

fame,

And years succeeding years shall give

Increase of honors to his name.

MARTHA WASHINGTON'S WILL

Its Removal From Fairfax Courthouse and Its Recovery by Virginia.

The will of Martha Washington, recently returned to the state of Virginia by J. Pierpont Morgan, was taken from the Fairfax courthouse in 1892, when that part of Virginia was occupied by Federal troops. A lieutenant colonel of the Union army whose headquarters were in the courthouse found his men shoveling a pile of papers into the stove to build a fire. He stopped them and on examination discovered the will. It was among his papers when he died in 1892, and thirteen years later his daughter sold it to the late J. Pierpont Morgan. The lieutenant colonel was David Thomson of the Eighty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry.

The state of Virginia learned about the time the will was sold to Mr. Morgan that it had not been destroyed, and efforts were made to recover it. Several years ago the state authorities found that the will was in the possession of Mr. Morgan and wrote to him demanding its return. He refused, saying it was contraband of war and as such the man whose estate had sold it to him had a right to keep it and the estate the right to dispose of it as it saw fit.

After the elder Morgan's death the daughters of the American Revolution began to agitate for the return of the historic document to Virginia, and the state itself threatened prosecution of the holder on the ground that it was stolen property. Mr. Morgan replied that his only desire was to place the will where it would be kept more carefully than was possible in Fairfax courthouse. Virginia asked the supreme court of the United States for leave to file a suit in behalf of the state against J. Pierpont Morgan for the recovery of the will.

The state of Virginia figured in a similar suit over the recovery of certain documents, including a letter of Lafayette and an address by George Washington to the Virginia house of burgesses, when an agreement was reached in 1912 between the heirs of Benson John Lossing, who held the papers, and the state, whereby the matter was arbitrated.

Girl Babies in Japan.

In Japan all the girl babies have their heads shaved until they are three years old.

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